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Please replace the first paragraph of the specification with the following paragraph as amended.

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November 4, 2002, entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETECTION OF AN ACCESSORY DEVICE CONNECTION STATUS, now U.S. Patent No. 6.665,803; which is a continuation application of Serial No. 09/298,113, filed April 23, 1999, entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETECTION OF AN ACCESSORY DEVICE CONNECTION STATUS, now U.S. Patent No. 6,523,124. Both of the aforementioned priority applications are hereby incorporated by reference herein in their respective entirety.